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The analyses are performed on actual pipe to pipe interactions pairs identified via plant walkdown at PINGP. Engineering evaluations using key parameters identified the specific bounding interaction pairs for each target pipe size. These bounding interactions were modeled to determine the extent of the damage caused by a postulated collision. If the resulting damage for these limiting cases is shown to be acceptable then any damage resulting from the other interactions can be assumed to fall within acceptable limits.

projectile pipe to the target pipe is evaluated using the finite element code.

This calculation is classified as Non-Safety Related since it does not result in a design document. The inputs were based upon reasonable and, where possible, conservative values which produced generally conservative results.

#### Software

MathCad software is used to generate this calculation. All MathCad calculations are independently verified for accuracy and correctness as if they were manually generated.

LS-DYNA is used to analyze the pipe to pipe interactions. LS-DYNA is a general purpose explicit/implicit finite element code used to analyze the nonlinear dynamic response of three-dimensional and two-dimensional inelastic structures. Its fully automated contact analysis capability and error checking features have enable users in various industries worldwide to successfully solve many complex crash, forming and other problems. Previously LS-DYNA has been used successfully to analytically model actual experimental pipe to pipe interactions (Ref. 6) which makes it an ideal tool for this analysis. LS-DYNA is not on the AES Approved Software List but it has been used extensively in the industry for non-linear analyses. As such its use is acceptable for this non-safety related application.



#### **3.0** Acceptance Criteria

This analysis will be utilized to provide technical backup to support an evaluation which attempts to screen postulated HELB piping interactions within the Turbine Building. The interactions will be screened as those which could significantly contribute to flooding and those that will not. Previous Probabalistic Risk Assessment (PRA) has concluded that leakage flows within the turbine building less than 5000 gpm do not pose a significant threat to plant design basis operation (Ref. 1).

Analysis has shown that 5000 gpm would exceed the expected flowrate through a 4" diameter pipe at system operating pressures of approximately 100 psig which is roughly that of a service water or fire protection system (Ref. 2). The cross sectional flow area of a 4" pipe is approximately 12.7 in<sup>2</sup>. Therefore a non-threatening pipe interaction will be that considered to cause no more than a 12.7 in<sup>2</sup> opening in the target pipe.



#### 4.0 Assumptions

1. Only orthogonal perpendicular pipe interactions are considered due to their bounding nature based upon previous testing and analysis. (Ref. 5). Any departure from perpendicularity between the plane of motion of the projectile pipe and the axis of the target pipe would have resulted in a lesser component of the maximum impact force between the pipes.

2. A conservative length of 15 ft is arbitrarily chosen for the projectile pipe to maximize impact forces. The longer the projectile pipe the larger the moment formed about the rotation hinge and thus the greater the impact force. Based upon typical piping geometries, support spacing and general clearances within the plant it is not reasonable to assume projectile pipe lengths longer than 15 ft could occur and move freely without interference from other structures.

3. The theoretical impact point on the projectile pipe is chosen as 10 ft from the fixed base to maximize imparted energy to the target pipe. Previous testing has shown that maximum damage will occur when the impact occurs from 50 to 75% length of the projectile pipe from the hinge Ref.(6). In the event that the plastic hinge forms away from the base the impact zone should fall within this range on the Projectile Pipe.

4. The impact point on the Target pipe is conservatively chosen at the midpoint of the span which maximizes the imparted forces to the pipe. (Ref. 5)

5. The intact end of the projectile pipe is conservatively modeled as rigidly supported (fixed) to maximize impact forces to the Target Pipe. A lesser boundary condition would allow the intact end to deflect or move away from the projected impact and thus reducing the severity of the impact.

6. The blowdown force is assumed to always act perpendicular to the axis of the Projectile pipe. This will maximize the rotational moment of the Projectile pipe, increasing the angular velocity and maximizing the impact force.

7. The length of the Target pipe is reasonably chosen as 1/2 the recommended maximum spacing between piping supports as specified in ASME B31.1 piping code, Table 121.1.4.(Ref. 9) Piping support spacing can vary somewhat throughout the plant and between plants but this is a reasonable input based upon actual field installations.

8. Both pipes are modeled as filled with water. The greater mass will increase the impact energy and maximize the impact result.

9. Material properties for A106 Grade B Carbon Steel are assumed for both pipes.

10. The identical True Stress-Strain curve at elevated temperature is used for both pipes which is conservative due to the fact that the Target pipe is actually at lower temperature which would increase the material strength of this pipe.

11. The intemal pressure in both pipes is conservatively assumed to be atmospheric.

12. Failure will occur at 25% Strain. (Ref. 8)

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#### **5.0** Design Inputs

#### **5.1** Material Properties

The following true stress-strain curve is used for both pipes (Ref 3).





Density for Carbon Steel per Reference [23]: 
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In cases where these parameters did not clearly differentiate the interaction a calculation of the theoretical impact momentum was performed to allow relative comparison of impact severity between specific pipe interactions. The higher the momentum of the projectile pipe, the higher the potential for damage to the target pipe. The method for calculating the theoretical impact momentum of the projectile pipe is shown below (the calculation is theoretical because the moving pipe is assumed to rotate about a pinned connection located at the end of the pipe with no resistance to rotation):



of each pipe.



### 14 inch Target Pipe



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**16** inch Target Pipe



## 24 inch Target Pipe



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realistic approximation of the actual configuration. Certain assumptions have been made for the length of the target pipe, and the relative location of the contact point along the length of the projectile pipe as discussed in Section 6.3. The boundary conditions for both the projectile pipe and the target pipe will be discussed in this section.

The boundary conditions for the projectile pipe are fairly simple. At the break location, the projectile pipe is conservatively considered free to displace based on the assumption of a full cross section guillotine break. A force is applied at the end of the projectile pipe perpendicular to the pipe axis. In order to preserve the integrity of the model behavior, a reinforcing ring is added to the model on the end of the projectile pipe where the load is applied to facilitate even load distribution to the model elements around the end of the pipe ensuring there is no localized deformation there. As it pertains to the real life situation, it is assumed there is a 90 degree elbow at the top of the break which is causing the whipping force. Note that the elbow was not modelled in LS-DYNA to simplify the modeling effort. The use of the rigid ring on the free end of the pipe is conservative in comparison to actually modelling the elbow in LS-DYNA.

At the opposite end the projectile is fixed as an anchor. This end condition is conservative from the perspective that it will not allow deflection or displacement of the projectile pipe at this location up to and through pipe impact thus maximizing imparted energy to the target pipe. As can be seen from the results in Section 6.6, a plastic hing forms in the moving pipe at some distance above the fixed end of the moving pipe (approximately 1 to 2 diameters above the fixed point location. The consequential damage that occurs in the projectile pipe below the hinge point is not relevant to this investigation.

The boundary conditions placed upon the target pipe are more sophisticated and indicative of the remainder of the piping system which brackets the target pipe on each end. A single span of the target pipe was considered. In order to account for the continuation of the pipe, spring restraints were used on both ends of the target pipe. Parametric runs were made (see Section 6.7) that confirmed that the smaller the stiffness values of these springs, the higher the potential for damage to the target pipe. Conservatively low spring stiffnesses were used based on relatively long unsupported spans of the target pipe. Since the target pipes are non-safety, non-seismic, it is conservatively assumed that the pipe is mostly supported by spring or rod hangers with very few lateral supports. A conservative support scheme was used to calculate representative stiffnesses as shown on the next page.

Evaluation has shown that damage results are sensitive to the span of the target pipe between supports. The degree of sensitivity depends upon a number of key factors including relative pipe thickness to each other, magnitude of the blowdown force, initial separation distance, etc. Parametric runs performed in Section 6.7 indicate that for the case where only the angular velocity is considered, a shorter pipe span produces the most conservative results. However, for cases where the jet force continues to be applied after the initial contact with the pipe, the longer the span the worse the damage to the target pipe. For this evaluation a reasonable support span of 1/2 the maximum recommended per ASME B31.1 was utilized.







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around the target pipe. As the pipe cross-sectional area is reduced there is a corresponding reduction in the blowdown flow from the pipe. This reduces the whipping force on the pipe as the pipe continues to deform. Following impact, as the collision continues, and both pipes deform, the flow is eventually reduced to zero at the point where the projectile pipe basically seals itself off and the blowdown force is gone.

To account for this force reduction, the LS-DYNA runs were used to estimate the reduced cross sectional areas at both the plastic hinge, and at the impact location. Data was taken from preliminary runs to determine the reduced area at the deformed cross sections at specific times during the event. Using this data, more realistic force functions were utilized in the Case runs by applying a force time history based on a linear reduction in the area. Conservatively, for most cases only the reduction of area at the collision point was considered. In one case, the reduction in the area at the moving pipe hinge location was also considered (for Case 5 where the separation distance was larger resulting in a large rotation in the moving pipe prior to impact. The shape of the force time history curve is shown below:







#### 6.6 Analysis Results

Six specific interaction cases were run as described in the sections above. A table summarizing the input parameters for these six load cases is provided below:



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Results for these six analysis cases are provided in the sections below:

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The results of the analysis show that no elements exceeded the strain limit of 25%. Therefore it is concluded that the interaction of the moving pipe with the target pipe will not create sufficient damage to the target pipe to add to the Turbine Building flooding concern.



### 6.6.2 Case 2 (Interaction 190) - 14" XS Target Pipe, 12" Std Proiectile Pipe

The figure below shows the deformation for both pipes at specific time points throughout the collision event



 $t = 0.064$  msec (Initiation of contact)  $t = 0.081$  msec (Projectile Pipe

Blowdown Flow = **0)**



t = 0.096 msec (Continued deformation) t = 0.124 msec (Conclusion of event)

The results of the analysis show that no elements exceeded the strain limit of 25%. Therefore it is concluded that the interaction of the moving pipe with the target pipe will not create sufficient damage to the target pipe to add to the Turbine Building flooding concern.



#### 6.6.3 Case 3 (Interaction 15) - **16"** Sch. 30 Target Pipe, 16" Sch. 30 Projectile Pipe

The figure below shows the deformation for both pipes at specific time points throughout the collision event



t = 0.052 msec (Initiation of contact) t **=** 0.072 msec (Projectile Pipe



Blowdown Flow = 0)



 $t = 0.088$  msec (Continued deformation)  $t = 0.125$  msec (Conclusion of event)

The results of the analysis show that 5 elements exceeded the strain limit of 25% creating a calculated surface area opening in the Target Pipe of 7.0 in<sup>2</sup>. Because this pipe area opening is less than the acceptance criteria of 12.7 in<sup>2</sup> this piping interaction is not expected to cause adverse Turbine Building flooding.



#### 6.6.4 Case 4 (Interaction 19/109) - 16" Sch. 30 Target Pipe, 20" Sch. 20 Projectile Pipe

The figure below shows the deformation for both pipes at specific time points throughout the collision event







 $t = 0.082$  msec (Continued deformation)  $t = 0.125$  msec (Conclusion of event)

The results of the analysis show that 3 elements exceeded the strain limit of 25% creating a calculated surface area opening in the Target Pipe of 4.2 in<sup>2</sup>. Because this pipe area opening is less than the acceptance criteria of 12.7 in<sup>2</sup> this piping interaction is not expected to cause adverse Turbine Building flooding.







 $t = 0.055$  msec (Cross-sectional area reduced  $t = 0.069$  msec (Initiation of contact) 25% at hinge)



Blowdown flow **= 0)**

 $t = 0.087$  msec (Projectile Pipe  $t = 0.119$  msec (Conclusion of event)

The results of the analysis show that 4 elements exceeded the strain limit of 25% creating a calculated surface area opening in the Target Pipe of 8.4 in<sup>2</sup>. Because this pipe area opening is less than the acceptance criteria of 12.7 in<sup>2</sup> this piping interaction is not expected to cause adverse Turbine Building flooding.



#### 6.6.6 Case 6 (Interaction 48) - 24" Sch. 20 Target Pipe, 20" Sch. 20 Projectile Pipe

The figure below shows the deformation for both pipes at specific time points throughout the collision event



 $t = 0.040$  msec (Initiation of contact)  $t = 0.072$  msec (Projectile Pipe



Blowdown  $Flow = 0$ )



 $t = 0.085$  msec (Continued deformation)  $t = 0.109$  msec (Conclusion of event)

The results of the analysis show that 2 elements exceeded the strain limit of 25% creating a calculated surface area opening in the Target Pipe of 4.2 in<sup>2</sup>. Because this pipe area opening is less than the acceptance criteria of 12.7 in<sup>2</sup> this piping interaction is not expected to cause adverse Turbine Building flooding.



#### **6.7** Parametric Evaluations

**A** few select additional cases were run to determine the impact of altering some of the key input parameters to determine the sensitivity of the results to the variation of these parameters. The results of these parametric runs are included on the following pages:

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Case 7 - Reduce spring stiffness boundary conditions on the targey pipe by a factor of 5 (run on base Case 3 (Interaction 15) - 16" Sch. 30 Tarqet Pipe, 16" Sch. 30 Proiectile Pipe **)**

The results of this run confirmed that reducing the stiffness of the springs resulted in additional damage to the target pipe. Comparison of the screen shots below to those of the Base Case it is apparent that the lighter spring forces result in much more target pipe deformation. Since the stiffness used already represent lower bound values, the results from Cases **1** - 6 are still bounding. There is no need to make additional runs with stiffer springs as this will result in less damage to the target pipe.



 $t = 0.052$  msec (Initiation of contact)  $t = 0.072$  msec (Projectile Pipe



Blowdown Flow **=** 0)



 $t = 0.088$  msec (Continued deformation)  $t = 0.125$  msec (Conclusion of event)





Case 8 - Increase support span on target pipe by a factor of 2 (run on base Case 3 (Interaction 15) - 16" Sch. 30 Target Pipe, 16" Sch. 30 Projectile Pipe **)**



 $t = 0.052$  msec (Initiation of contact)  $t = 0.072$  msec (Projectile Pipe



Blowdown Flow = **0)**



 $t = 0.088$  msec (Continued deformation)  $t = 0.125$  msec (Conclusion of event)



Case 9 - Increase support span of target pipe by a factor of 2 (run on base Case 2 (Interaction 190) - 14" XS Target Pipe, 12" Std Projectile Pipe)

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 $t = 0.065$  msec (Initiation of contact)  $t = 0.081$  msec (Projectile pipe Blowdown  $flow = 0$ 

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The results of the analyses for Cases 8 and 9 show that the damage to the Target Pipe did increase over that observed for the respective base cases but to relatively different extents. For Case 9, similar to Base Case 2, no elements exceeded the strain limit of 25% and the increase in damage was minimal. Case 8 showed appreciably more damage than it's Base Case 3 counterpart in that 13 elements were deleted compared to 5 in the base case. The conclusion is that the impact of increasing the target pipe length is significantly dependent upon other key parameters such as relative pipe thickness, initial separation distances, blowdown force, etc.

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#### **7.0** Summary

Actual Turbine Building pipe to pipe interactions were evaluated resulting in a set of bounding interactions. Detailed Finite Element models were prepared for each of these bounding cases. The parameters for each of the bounding cases evaluated are provided in the table below.

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Parametric investigations were performed for a few key modeling parameters. The results show that a Target Pipe boundary condition with lower (lighter) spring constants tend to result in more damage to the Target Pipe. Physically the lower spring constants would represent a piping system with less support **/** less restraint.

Another parameter investigated was the length of the Target Pipe span (distance of Target Pipe Support separation). The results show that for impacts with no sustained force on the Projectile Pipe that shorter Target Pipe spans are more conservative, i.e. more resultant damage to the Target Pipe. Conversely, for impacts which include a blowdown force on the Projectile Pipe the longer Target Pipe spans result in more Target Pipe damage.

The sensitivity to each parameter variation is individual to each specific interation pair as it depends on a number of key interaction parameters such as relative thickness of the two pipes, blowdown force, initial separation of the two pipes, etc.

#### 8.0 Conclusions

The results of the analyses, included in the table above, show clearly that none of the cases would produce an excessive flooding event within the Turbine Building.

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